GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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ADDITIONAL FOODGRAINS UNDER EAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments, especially the Government of Maharashtra have requested for release of additional foodgrains beyond their respective quota, under the Employment Assurance Scheme for 2001-2002 for drought affected districts of the States;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the additional foodgrains allotted and likely to be allotted for the purpose, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (c): The proposals for release of additional foodgrains have been received from the States of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh during the current year under the EAS. No such proposal has been received from the State Government of Maharashtra.

The Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) is being continued for the current year as a part of the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) under which the Central funds and the foodgrains have been allocated on the basis of criteria based on poverty ratio. At present, no proposal for additional release of foodgrains under the EAS is under consideration.

(d): Does not arise.